

# **EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTRE**

# EVACUATION ORDER

**Date:** July 25, 2024 **Time:** 1:30hrs

Whereas a state of local emergency was declared on July 25, 2024 by the Regional District of Central Kootenay pursuant to Section 95 of the *Emergency and Disaster Management Act* due to the Wilson Creek Wildfire (N51614) within the area of Electoral Area 'H' in the Regional District of Central Kootenay;

And whereas Section 107 (1)(c) and (d) of the *Emergency and Disaster Management Act* authorizes requiring evacuations in relation to a declared state of local emergency, making arrangements for the adequate care and protection of evacuated persons and animals, and controlling travel to or from an area;

And whereas the Wilson Creek Wildfire is a significant threat to the health, safety, and welfare of persons, such that an evacuation and controlling travel is necessary to minimize threats;

This **Evacuation Order** has been issued by The Regional District of Central Kootenay's Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) and is **effective as of July 25, 2024, 1:30hrs** for the following twelve (12) addresses and four (4) parcel identifiers – PIDs (see attached map):

### Addresses:

140 EAST WILSON CREEK RD	260 EAST WILSON CREEK RD	327 E WILSON CREEK RD
6250 HIGHWAY 6	270 EAST WILSON CREEK RD	335 EAST WILSON CREEK RD
6306 HIGHWAY 6	320 EAST WILSON CREEK RD	340 EAST WILSON CREEK RD
6310 HIGHWAY 6	325 E WILSON CREEK RD	375 EAST WILSON CREEK RD

Parcel Identifiers – PIDs (properties without an address):

006-510-311 014-707-942 025-321-650 025-321-676

# YOU MUST LEAVE THE AREA IMMEDIATELY

For more information: EOCinfo@rdck.bc.ca | 250-352-7701 or visit rdck.ca/EOCinfo

Members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and other agencies will be expediting this action in these areas on behalf of the Regional District of Central Kootenay.

A person must not enter any of the area(s) identified above and in the attached map for purposes of residing, occupying, or visiting the area(s).

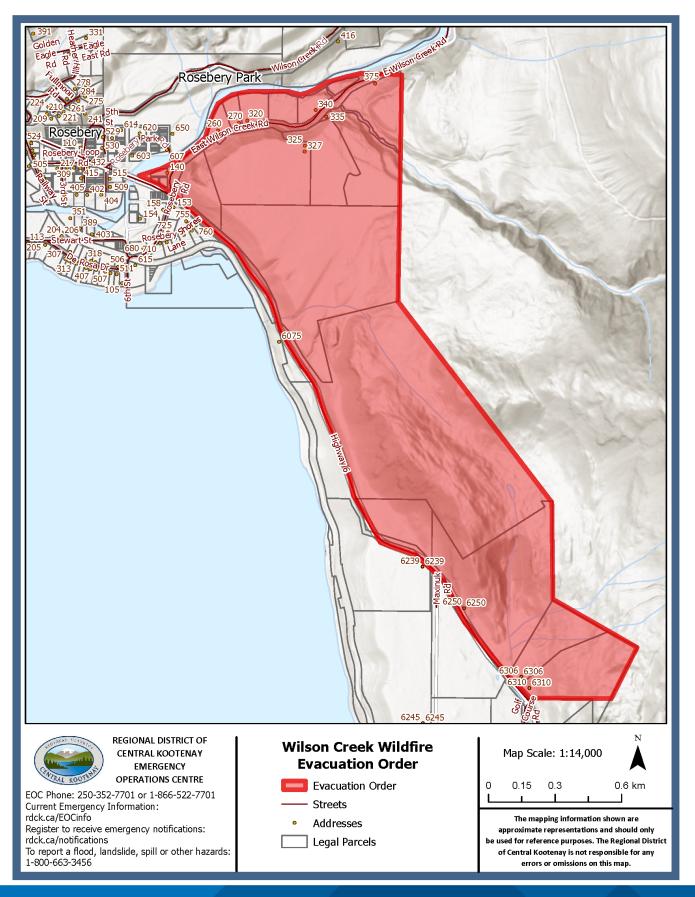
You should travel to your pre-arranged emergency destination, such as a family member or friends' house. Register for Emergency Support Services (ESS) online at <a href="https://ess.gov.bc.ca/">https://ess.gov.bc.ca/</a> or by calling: 1-800-387-4258. Only if you need assistance should you report to the reception centre at the Nakusp and District Community Complex at 200 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW in the Village of Nakusp.

Dan Seguin

Director, Emergency Operations Centre

July 25, 2024

Date



# If You Are Affected By An Evacuation ORDER

### What You Should Do

- You must leave the area immediately.
- Follow directions of emergency responders and travel designated or **safest route available**.
- Register online at <a href="https://ess.gov.bc.ca/">https://ess.gov.bc.ca/</a>
- If you require immediate assistance, go to the Reception Centre identified on the Evacuation Order:
  - Due to limited emergency accommodation, we strongly recommend that you make arrangements to stay with
    friends or family. If there is no other option, please go to the Reception Centre to request assistance; we may be
    able to assist with finding accommodation.
- If you need transportation assistance, call RDCK EOC: 250-352-7701
- Gather your family; if possible, take a neighbor or someone needing transportation.
- Take **pets** with you if you can.
- Do not turn off your natural gas. The service provider will turn off natural gas service as needed.
- Appliances: Shut off all gas and electrical appliances, other than refrigerators and freezers.
- Close all windows and doors. Close gates, (latch) but do not lock.
- If possible, do not make cellphone calls unless you need emergency service to reduce network congestion.

### What to Take

- **Critical items** only if they are immediately available:
  - o Government-issued ID.
  - Medications.
  - o Eyeglasses or other important personal items.
  - o Valuable papers (e.g. insurance and policy number, credit and mortgage information).
  - o Immediate care needs for dependents.
- Pets in pet kennels or on leash
  - o **Pet owners and hobby farmers** with concerns for their animals may contact:
    - BC SPCA Animal Helpline: 1-855-622-7722
  - Commercial Farmers who require assistance may contact:
    - RDCK EOC: 250-352-7701

## **After You Have Safely Evacuated**

- If you have homeowners' or tenants' **insurance**, contact your insurance provider to arrange for living expenses such as accommodation and food.
- If you need support with your **insurance**, call the Insurance Bureau of Canada at 1-844-227-5422.
- Signup to receive RDCK **emergency notifications**: rdck.ca/Notifications
- Stay informed:
  - For up to date emergency information, go to rdck.ca/EOCinfo
  - o Tune in to the local radio stations
  - o Highway information: Visit drivebc.ca
  - Power outage information:
    - Fortis: 1-866-436-7847 / outages.fortisbc.com/Outages
    - BC Hydro: 1-800-224-9376 / https://www.bchydro.com/power-outages/app/outage-map.html
    - Nelson Hydro: 1-877-324-9376 / http://www.nelson.ca/927/Nelson-Hydro-Alerts
  - o River Forecast Centre: www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content?id=0ED72C0820814B96B4B346374D05056C
  - o BC Wildfire Services: wildfiresituation.nrs.gov.bc.ca/map